operations shall be given to the regional director (compliance).

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1375, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5312))

[T.D. ATF-198, 50 FR 8464, Mar. 1, 1985, as amended by T.D. ATF-271, 53 FR 17543, May 17, 1988]

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## § 19.72 Other businesses.

Application to conduct at a distilled spirits plant a type of business other than that of a distiller, warehouseman, or processor may be approved by the regional director (compliance) if the Director has, as provided in §19.68, authorized the carrying on of a business of the type proposed, unless the regional director (compliance) finds that there are particular conditions in respect to the applicant's plant that would cause the carrying on of such business to be a jeopardy to the revenue or a hindrance to the effective administration of this part.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178))

## § 19.73 Emergency variations from requirements.

The regional director (compliance) may approve construction, equipment, and methods of operation other than as specified in this part, where he finds that an emergency exists and the proposed variations from the specified requirements are necessary, and the proposed variations—

- (a) Will afford the security and protection to the revenue intended by the prescribed specifications;
- (b) Will not hinder the effective administration of this part; and
- (c) Will not be contrary to any provisions of law.

Variations from requirements granted under this paragraph are conditioned on compliance with the procedures, conditions, and limitations with respect thereto set forth in the approval of the application. Failure to comply in good faith with such procedures, conditions, and limitations shall automatically terminate the authority for such variations and the proprietor thereupon shall fully comply with the

prescribed requirements of regulations from which the variations were authorized. Authority for any variation may be withdrawn whenever in the judgement of the regional director (compliance) the revenue is jeopardized or the effective administration of this part is hindered by the continuation of such variation. Where the proprietor desires to employ such variation, he shall submit a written application to do so to the regional director (compliance). The application shall describe the proposed variations and set forth the reasons therefor. Variations shall not be employed until the application has been approved.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1353, as amended, 1395, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5178, 5552))

## § 19.74 Disaster exemptions.

The regional director (compliance) may, whenever he finds that it is necessary or desirable, by reason of disaster, temporarily exempt the proprietor of any plant from any provisions of the internal revenue laws and this part relating to spirits, except those requiring the payment of tax on spirits, to the extent he may deem necessary or desirable.

(Sec. 201, Pub. L. 85–859, 72 Stat. 1397, as amended (26 U.S.C. 5562))

## §19.75 Assignment of officers and supervision of operations.

- (a) General. The regional director (compliance) may assign such number of ATF officers to distilled spirits plants and utilize controls (including the use of Government locks and seals) as necessary to maintain supervision of operations conducted at such plants. When supervision is necessary:
- (1) The regional director (compliance) may require a proprietor to delay any distilled spirits operation so that it may be conducted in the presence of an ATF officer; and
- (2) The regional director (compliance) may require the proprietor to submit a schedule of operations to an ATF officer.
- (b) *Hours of operation*. When operations at a distilled spirits plant are to be conducted in the presence of an ATF officer, such operations: (1) Shall not